

TWO
ORDINANCES
OF THE
LORDS and COMMONS
Assembled in PARLIAMENT,

FIRST,
For the regulating of the EXCISE,
upon all manner of Salt, and Flesh, viz.
Beeves, Muttons, Veales, Porks, Lambs,
and other Butchers meat kild for Pro-
vision of Victuals.

THE SECOND,
Being an explanation of the late Ordinance of Excise
upon Iron, Tynne, hops, hats, Monmouth Caps, Allom,
and Copperas, &c.

Die Sabbathi, 3 Augusti, 1644.

Ordered by the LORDS Assembled in Parlia-
ment, That these 2 Ordinances shalbe forthwith Printed
and published. Joh. Brown Cler, Parlamento.

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For the regulation of the House

upon all matters of State and Policy

Passed in the House of Commons

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Part of the Ordinances of the House of Commons

As passed in the House of Commons

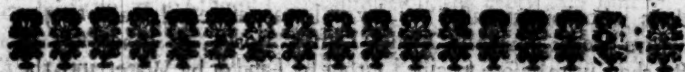
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Die Sabbathi, 3 Augusti, 1644.

**An Ordinance for the better Regulating
and Levying of the Excise of Flesh, within
the Cities of *London* and *Westminster*, Sub-
urbs, and Lines of Communication.**

WHereas by a late Ordinance of Parliament, bearing date the ninth of *January*, 1643. there is a rate of Excise set upon all Beeves, Veales, Muttons, Porks, Lambs, and other Butchers meat to be killed for Provision of Victuals, and the same to be levied according to the value of the Beast when he is living, and all Butchers & others, from whom any such Excise should at any time become due, to pay and be accountable for the same weekly.

Now the Lords and Commons assembled in Parliament, finding the many inconveniencies that doe, and will of necessity arise, in levying the same within the Cities of *London* and *Westminster*, Suburbs of both, and Lines of Communication, by the Rule prescribed by the aforesaid Ordinance, if the Collecting the said Excise should be continued for the future in that way. For prevention whereof and for the more Regular and facile levying the same for the future within the Cities of *London* and *Westminster*, their Suburbs, and Lines of Communication aforesaid: Be it Ordained by the said Lords and Commons assembled in Parliament, That all Beeves, Muttons, Veales, Lambs, Porks, and other Butchers meat (in the aforesaid Ordinances mentioned to be excisable, from and after the twentieth day of this present *July*, which shall be brought to be killed for slaughter, and Provision of Victuals, within the Cities of *London* and *Westminster*, their Suburbs, and Lines of Communication, shall be liable to pay while all such Carrell are yet alive, the said duty of Excise being one shilling in every twenty shillings value of the Beast living.

And be it further Ordained, That all Graiers, Butchers, and others, who from and after the day and yeare aforesaid, shall bring any live Beeves, Muttons, Veales, Lambs, Porks, or other sort of Butchers ware before specified, either by Land or by Water, into the Cities of *London* and *Westminster*, their Suburbs, or Lines of Communication, to be killed for sale or private spending, doe and shall at the Ports and first entrance within the Lines of Communication, make knowne unto such Officer or Officers as shall be appointed by the Commissioners of Excise, to attend such Port or place the number and nature of the said Cattell, and the names of the right owners of them, which the said Officers shall Register in a Booke, and deliver unto the person who hath the charge of the said Cattell, a Certificate or Ticket of the same.

And be it further Ordained, That no Graier, Butcher, or other person whatsoever, who from and after the day and yeare aforesaid, shall bring any live Beeves, Muttons, Veales, Lambs, Porks, or other Butchers ware before specified, either by Land or by Water, into the Cities of *London* and *Westminster*, their Suburbs, and Lines of Communication, doe or shall presume to put any such Beast to sale, in any place within the Line of Communication, but in the open and usuall place and market in *Smithfield*, upon paine of forfeiture of such Beast or the value thereof.

And that every such Graier or other, who shall put to sale any kind of Cattell Excisable by this Ordinance, within the said Cities of *London* or *Westminster*, or Line of Communication, and within the time aforesaid, doe and shall give notice thereof together with the true price of such Cattell, unto the Officer or Deputy appointed by the Commissioners of Excise, to attend at some known place in *Smithfield* to Register al such Cattell, & to receive the Excise due for them, and shall not make delivery of any Cattell so sold untill the Excise be duly payd, and a Ticket obtained to testifie the same upon forfeiture of treble the value of the Excise of such Cattell; And that every Butcher who shall buy such Cattell, shall duly pay the Excise as aforesaid, before he kill the same, upon paine of forfeiture of the said Cattell or the value of it.

And be it further Ordained, That if any Butcher or other, who from and after the day and yeare above written, shall bring any live Cattell above specified, either by Land or by Water, into the Cities of *London* and *Westminster*, their Suburbs, or Lines of Communication,

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tion, to kill for sale or his owne private spending, which he or they bought without the Line of Communication, that every such Butcher or other, shall at the entrance of such Port, pay the said duty of Excise for all such Cattell according to the intent of this Ordinance, unto the Officers for that purpose there deputed to receive the same.

And that all Butchers and others, who for the uses aforesaid, shall from henceforth buy, feed, or otherwise have in readinesse to kill for Provision of Victuall the sorts and kinds of Cattell before mentioned, within the Cities of London and Westminster, or Line of Communication, which came not immediately from without the Line, shall before any such Cattell be by them put to sale or killed, pay the said duty of Excise into the Office of Excise, or else there give sufficient testimony that it was payd before.

And be it likewise Ordained, That all and every such Grasier, Butcher, or other person or persons whatsoever, as shall seek to evade this Ordinance, by refusing to pay the aforesaid duty of Excise according to the Tenor hereof, or practise any other fraudulent meanes or wayes to elude the same in any particular, that every such person or persons so offending, besides the severall penalties before mentioned, shall be esteemed a person ill-affected to the State, and suffer such further punishment as both Houses of Parliament shall adjudge.

And lastly, the said Lords and Commons doe further Ordaine and Declare, That every other matter and thing contained in the former Ordinance of Excise on Flesh of the ninth of January last, and thereby enjoyned to be executed and done, save in the matter of Regulating and Levying of the same as by this Ordinance, shall to all intents and purposes remaine, and be in full force and vertue.

John Browne Cler. Parliament.

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Die Sabbati, 3 Augusti,

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BE it Ordained by the Lords and Commons in Parliament Assembled, That the monies raised upon the additional Exeise, by an Ordinance of the eight of *July*, 1644. And by that Ordinance divided into three parts, and apporportioned to severall uses, shall be paid by the Commissioners of Exeise unto the persons hereafter mentioned, That is to say, the moytie of one third part appointed by the said Ordinance for the satisfaction of the pressing debts due to the severall Handicrafts men, strangers, and other persons for Armes and Ammunition heretofore bought for the use of the State, and to severall poore persons for carriage by Carts and Waggones for the same use, shall be paid to *Sir Gilbert Gerard Knight, Treasurer at Warres*, for those uses, The other moytie of that third part appointed for the relief of wounded and maimed Souldiers, and for satisfaction of Physitians, Apothecaries, Chirurgions, for the care of such Souldiers, and for the relief of such Widdowes and Children, as have lost their Husbands and Fathers, in the service of the Common-wealth, shall be paid unto *William Greenhill, John Pecock, John Randall, and Richard Hutchinson*, Treasurers appointed for the maimed Souldiers, or unto any two of them, for those uses; The second third part whereof the one

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one moytie is by that Ordinance appointed to be employed, towards the Land Forces in the service of the Parliament, shall be paid to the said Sir *Gilbert Gerard* Knight; And the other moytie appointed for the provision of Armes and Ammunition for the said Land Forces, shall be paid to Sir *Walter Earle* Knight, Lieutenant of the Ordnance; The last third part, the one moytie whereof is appointed by that Ordinance for the maintenance of the Navy by Sea, shall be paid to Sir *Henry Vane* Junior, Knight, Treasurer of the Navy by Order of the Committee of the Navy; The other moytie of the said third part, appointed for Armes, Stores, and Ammunition for the Navy shall be paid to the said Sir *Walter Earle* Knight for the use of the Navy, by Order of the said Committee of the Navy; And the receipt of the severall persons appointed by this Ordinance for the respective summes by them to be received according to the intent of this Ordinance, shall be a warrant and discharge unto the Commissioners of Excise.

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one may be by that Ordinance provided in the proviso
 as to the said Land for the service of the said
 one, shall be paid to the said Sir Walter Earl Knight
 and the other knights appointed for the provision of
 Arms and Ammunition for the said Land Forces, shall
 be paid to Sir Walter Earl Knight, Lieutenant of the Ord-
 nance. The said third part the one moiety wherof is ap-
 pointed by the Ordinance for the maintenance of the Na-
 vy, shall be paid to Sir Walter Earl Knight, Lieutenant
 of the Navy by Order of the Committee of
 the Navy. The other moiety of the said third part ap-
 pointed for Arms, Stores, and Ammunition for the
 said Sir Walter Earl Knight for
 the said Navy by Order of the said Committee of
 the Navy. And the receipt of the several persons ap-
 pointed by this Ordinance for the respective duties by
 them to be received according to the intent of this Ord-
 nance shall be a warrant and discharge unto the Com-
 missioners of Exchequer.

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